

ABILENE REFLECTOR.

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It seems that republican postmasters are to be rewarded for their loyalty and devotion to the cause of GROVER CLEVELAND last fall.

While the democratic party is actuated by principle in all that it does, the REFLECTOR is yet compelled to admit that it does not look with any great favor on the supposed civil service policy of the administration.

Mr. BLAINE called on President CLEVELAND one day last week. The meeting was cordial and no bitterness was apparent. This is becoming more and more and era of good will.

Democratic economy is being enforced at Washington. Useless and unnecessary clerks in the various departments at Washington have been told that their services can be dispensed with. The offices thus vacated will be abolished.

The Hon. ALBERT GRIFIN, of Manhattan, is already reading the riot act to those republican editors and leaders who are "kicking" at the new prohibitory law. The editors of the Topeka Commonwealth, Junction City Union, Hiawatha World, Leavenworth Times and other leading papers are invited to go. "Don't stand upon the order of your organization, gentlemen, but organize at once," says GRIFIN. Well, the advice is good. The editors of the above named papers have nothing in common with Kansas republicanism. They are not treated decently by the party they hold to in name only. They should join the democratic party, and then their power would be recognized and felt, however much it may be despised now.

The President has issued a proclamation forbidding the boomers to go into the Oklahoma country. It is also said to be the President's intention to have the cattle men removed from the lands. The REFLECTOR does not believe that the administration will allow the matter to rest here. Some way will be found to expunge that clause from the treaty which declares that the United States shall allow none but peaceable Indians and freedmen to settle upon the lands in question. That clause is all that stands in the way of settlement by whites of the remaining portion of the Oklahoma lands. And if the cattle men are driven from the territory the hardy settlers would not try to force their way into it. Fair play is what is needed, and the administration will find no great favor in the West until it either clears Oklahoma of cattle kings or throws it open to homestead entry.

The railroad question was not an issue during the last campaign, in this state—Manhattan Nationalist.

Do you say the railroad question was not an issue, Bro. GRIFIN, because an overwhelmingly republican or prohibition legislature failed to make it an issue? Or do you try to relieve the legislature from all blame because it passed a stringent, arbitrary prohibitory law? Up this way our people find no difficulty in recollecting that republican speakers were unanimous in the assertion, that "the railroad question, and not prohibition," was the real issue before the voters of Kansas. You are right in your statement that there is a "here-after in politics." The failure to give the people of the State any legislation whatever on the railroad question, and the eminent success in giving them a prohibitory law which is warranted not to rip, wear or run down at the heel, will cause a political revolution at the next general election. And the revolution won't be favorable to you.

Gov. MARTIN's character was not misjudged last fall, when he appeared before the people in a weak, wavering attitude. At that time he was afraid to say that his soul was his own, contending himself with uttering a few platitudes on "law and order" and such things. And his pitiable condition continues and will continue until the end of his term. He signs the new temperance bill under protest, but the prohibition extremists were with him and forced him to do their bidding. This is he paying the price of his election. Gov. MARTIN says:

I believe section eighteen of this act confers on a county officer a very dangerous authority and power, which should not be vested in any officer and which in the hands of an unscrupulous man may be grossly abused, without fear or possibility of his punishment for such abuse. My objections to vesting such powers and authority in any officer are such that, if the session was not so near its close, I should feel it to be my duty to return the act without my approval, but it would be impossible, in the brief remaining time, for legislative action to secure a reconsideration of the act with a view to the removal of the objectionable section. I am, therefore, constrained, though with great reluctance, not to withhold my approval of the act. In my judgment, a brief test of the practical working of section eight will demonstrate, not only its dangerous authority, but its unsuitability to accomplish the result apparently intended to be accomplished through its agency.

Signing the bill because he dare not refuse, he yet utters an excuse for his lack of independence and manhood and hopes that it will continue for him the respect of the anti-prohibition wing of his party. But our governor disgraces himself, and his characterless act reflects upon the manhood of the whole state. He signed a bill which he considers unjust and dangerous because he was afraid to veto it! What a commentary on the courage and integrity of the man! Does he not know that

his dishonest and even contemptible reasons will be taken by violators of the law as a valid excuse for their action? Is JOHN A. MARTIN any less guilty of a moral wrong than the man who violates the law the governor denounce before signing it?

Register!

The voters of this city should not look upon the coming city election with indifference. They should be particularly about registering before the 28th of this month, and should see to it that live, energetic men of business ability and methods are nominated for councilmen. It seems that Mr. A. W. RICE is to have no opposition for Mayor, and he should be supported by a sensible, working council. The sidewalks and streets of the city have become a good sized problem to handle, and they should receive immediate attention from sensible men. Our finances are also in a critical condition, and no carelessness should characterize our citizens. The situation calls for intelligent, considerate action.

Postmasters Feel Easier.

Dr. Sangrado Bolus, of Washington, has written out and sent to Postmaster General Vilas a scientific opinion to the effect that the removal of any considerable number of Republican Postmasters at this time will produce serious results. There are nearly 60,000 Republican Postmasters in the country at this writing. Many of them have been in office for years. They have acquired a taste for the gum on the back of the postage stamps similar to that which the morphine-eater has for his narcotic drug. The licking of stamps and the tasting of this gum daily has become a confirmed habit with 90 per cent of the Postmasters. To stop them suddenly, the Doctor thinks, would be to invite nervous prostration and in many instances, fits. It would be like cutting the drunkard off from alcohol suddenly or depriving the opium-eater of his drug. With this opinion before him Postmaster-General Vilas, who is a humane man, will probably proceed with great deliberation.

Garfield Cleanings.

The Independence Literary Society closed on last Friday night. The Methodists have discontinued their services at Bonaeur school house and united with the Presbyterians at Mt. Pleasant.

Miss Alice Hosie has a new Woods organ. Will H. Wenham has purchased a farm in Morris County and moved his effects to that place. At a recent meeting held at Squire Chapin's, school bonds were voted to the amount of \$750 for the purpose of erecting a school house on the s. e. corner of the w. 3 of sec. 11.

The Presbyterians have closed their meetings at Sunnyside. Seemingly much good has been accomplished.

Mr. Kirkwood has sold his farm for \$3,900 and will move his effects to Abilene soon.

The upright timber which was washed away by the recent high water from the bridge spanning Holland Creek, has been replaced. Supervisor John Felt is always on time with his road work.

The young democrats celebrated inauguration day by tripping the light fantastic at the residence of W. H. Wenham. A good time was enjoyed by all, and the boys went home feeling like Cleveland was the man to govern our nation.

A. J. Thompson is the happiest man in Garfield. It is a boy and weighs 12 pounds.

The farmers are busy sowing their oats and preparing their corn ground. Jake Yeager has sold his place to Gish Bros. and will move to Abilene.

Miss Lillie Hunt is visiting friends near Delphos.

John Felbush boasts of the finest span of mares in Garfield.

Land buyers are numerous. Plenty of room yet.

Harry McDonald met with quite a severe accident last Tuesday. His horse became unmanageable, reared up and fell back on him.

H. C. Aspley will leave for Morris Co. soon, where he expects to make his future home.

Chapman Chips.

Several Abilene people were visiting here last week.

Who is going to secure our big Mill privilege?

The hotels are all full. This indicates the fact that some strangers are coming to see the place. Come, for now is the time to invest.

The North and South sides of town are getting to be quite independent of each other.

Mugwump is an awful homely word, but it just covers the case.

The dudes are largely (?) in the minority every day in the week except Sunday. On the day last mentioned this species of animal can be seen in average numbers about the church doors and on street corners asking and appealing for your admiration.

ion, although it would be surprising if it went out like the d—l. Every week changes the town so much that an old resident, were he gone during the time, would hardly know it. All the business houses are getting in new goods. This does not like hard times.

Grain comes in to the elevators daily, and hogs and cattle are being weekly shipped to market.

One to Chapman if you want to go into business. There are several openings left yet. Now is the time to improve them.

It is said the peach crop will fail this coming season. The buds have been badly frozen.

And he watches over the young lady day and night. She is his daughter and yet he keeps the gun on half cock over the fire-place. It is not for the purpose of assassinating her that the sword is kept unsheathed and the carving knife freshly whetted. There is a gentleman who is also closely watched and for whom the "stern parent" is gunning.

Rev. Herr preaches regularly at the Congregational Church.

Rev. J. M. Wilson and J. C. Russell attended the last M. E. Church Conference.

One or two of the persons who think they can be mayor just for the asking, are mistaken. Several want it who will be shelved up for future use.

Look out for dogs that may have been bitten by one having hydrophobia. If anything ails one of your dogs, just kill the animal without delay. Don't wait for some of your family or friends to be bitten, but kill the dog however valuable.

Eclipse of the sun was plainly visible last Monday without the aid of a glass.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

While buggy riding last Sunday afternoon, Mr. M. Nicolay's horse became frightened while crossing Mud creek bridge and ran away. Mrs. Nicolay was thrown out and the buggy upset. Mr. Nicolay escaped with a few bruises, but the buggy was badly damaged.

St. Patrick's day was celebrated in this city last Tuesday by high mass in the Catholic church. A pleasant little bit of luck was the receiving on that morning by T. C. McInerney of a sprig of shamrock from Dublin, Ireland.

This national emblem of the Irish was enclosed in a copy of the Freeman's Journal. He distributed it around among his friends and did not forget the REFLECTOR.

The County Attorney held his first inquisition under the new prohibitory law Thursday. At seven o'clock he issued subpoenas for Levi Stobaugh and certain witnesses, returnable at four o'clock.

At twelve Stobaugh closed and at one he skipped. This shows a great weakness in section eight to start with. The County Attorney should have the power to put a man in jail first and then run his inquisition afterwards. As it is the average whisky witness is sure to give the seller the wink.—J. C. Union.

Commissioners Dricker, Blevins and Kamdt, Q. Clerk Waring, Co. Attorney Hurd and the REFLECTOR man rode out to the poor farm last Tuesday afternoon. The foundation of the building is almost completed, and it will not be very long before the latter is finished. The site is a very commanding one, overlooking the prettiest and most fertile country in the world and bringing into good view the towns of Enterprise, Detroit and Abilene. The farm, with the exception of some twenty-five acres, is composed of rich land, capable of raising as large crops as any land in the county. The commissioners will plant an orchard on the poor land and improve the surroundings of the building. After this year, when all live stock necessary will be owned by the county, our tax payers will save at least \$2500. a year in the cost of their poor.

New Advertisements.

J. J. Reagan and L. Schlegel announce Public Sales.

Beemer, Merrifield, and Ed. Thisher have locals of interest to our readers.

J. H. Brady, our new real estate and loan man, uses the large circulation of the REFLECTOR to his advantage.

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Notice to Teachers.

D. D. HORNADAY, Abilene, Kas. Dear Sir:—Your letter received, in reply I will say that you cannot legally hold an examination March 28. The first examination held under the new law will be the last Saturday in April, and the State Board of Education will prepare the questions and forward the same to the County Superintendents as the law requires.

Very Respectfully,
J. H. LAWHEAD,
State Supt. of Pub. Inst.

The law provides that the county Superintendent may issue a temporary certificate after examining the applicant as to his proficiency in the several branches. Said temporary certificate to be issued at the request of a school board and to be valid until the next regular examination.

D. D. HORNADAY,
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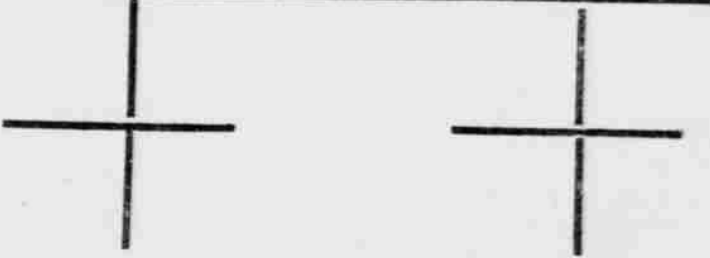
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